

The Theatrical Baedeker for the Coming Week

John Drew at the Broad in "Pendennis"—"Fair and Warmer" at the Garrick—"Ben Hur" Once More—French Plays—"Little Women"

COMING ATTRACTIONS

BROAD—"Major Pendennis," with John Drew. The ever-popular Philadelphia actor returns here in Langdon Mitchell's dramatization of the famous novel by Thackeray. It is in four acts. In the company are Helen MacKellar, Allison Skipton and others. Opening, Monday afternoon.

CONTINUING PLAYS

AFRICA—"Follow Me," with Anna Held. Bright and colorful musical entertainment, which is just a little bit short on the joy of life that makes such amusements important. Good tunes by Romberg. Vaudeville animates the cast.

AT POPULAR PRICES

WALNUT—"Little Women," with Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Eberle. Pleasant dramatic version of Louisa Alcott's story about children-about-to-grow-up. First time at popular prices.

STOCK

ENCKEROCKER—"Sinners," with Anna Doherty, John Lorenz and members of the stock company. Produced by Maurice Stansford. First time at popular prices.

FEATURE FILMS

WALNUT—"The Witching Hour," with C. Aubrey Smith, Jack Sherrill, and Marie Shotwell, all week. Frohman production in film form of Augustus Thomas's fascinating play of telepathy, marriage and love. Also first two episodes of the official British war pictures, all week.

ARCADIA—"The Crab," with Frank Keenan and Thelma Salter, first half of the week. Also Mrs. Vernon Castle in "Patricia." "The Girl in the Street," with Stuart Holmes and Mary Martin, latter half of the week.

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MANY FIELDS ARE TILLED BY WRITERS OF CURRENT VOLUME

DR. D. M. STEELE GOES ABROAD OVERLAND

Rector of the Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany Writes Delightfully of Far West

GOING ABROAD OVERLAND. By David M. Steele. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York. Doctor Steele who is the well-known and eminent rector of the Protestant Episcopal Church of St. Luke and the Epiphany, has performed a very useful service in these "studies of places and people in the Far West." The more we have of such books as this the more we shall know of our geographical location, of the "fete East" and the "wild and woolly West." Doctor Steele's chapters are rich in understanding of the great section which he has visited and observed. His book is broad and quite national in feeling. From his "printed page" the reader may share with him in the sights, scenes and events of a worthwhile journey.

The book will repay reading, as it is notable for variety and vivacity. Striking traditions and past chapters of history are related as part of the narration, but above all is the fine integration of the popular mind and feelings of various localities, valuable and inspiring. The book is liberally illustrated with maps and photographs.

In Mexico HYGIENE IN MEXICO. By Alberto J. Pant. G. P. Putnam's Sons, New York. EDUCATIONAL CONDITIONS IN MEXICO. By Educational Commission for the Study of Educational Conditions in Mexico.

Here are two books on Mexico—not precisely on the disturbances which have torn the last five years have torn our southern neighbor, but on conditions prevailing in that country in its civil life and activity. The first, a complete and thorough study on Mexican sanitary and educational problems, is viewed by a man who is thoroughly conversant with Mexican life, having been a high Government official in Mexico City, in the English translation by Ernest L. de Gogorza of the Spanish edition. It covers and discusses especially the problem of hygiene, which in Mexico is a vital one, a matter of paramount importance, giving statistics and suggesting reforms which should be enacted to better the general health of the Mexican poorer classes, whose earnings are very scant and whose nutrition is in accordance with the tiny income.

The work is the result of an investigation conducted by Charles William Dabney on educational conditions in Mexico under the auspices of an American committee. The problem of education of the lower classes of Mexico is the key to a stable government in that republic. It is, therefore, natural that an American committee should give it its attention, as the turbulent element finds its leadership precisely among the uneducated peasantry who do not know for what and whom they are fighting when they join the hordes of Villa or of Carranza. The educational uplift of the Mexicans must be achieved if we are to see their country prosper in peace, if we are to be secure on our southern border.

Priest's Tribute to Womanhood GREAT INSPIRERS. By Rev. J. A. Zahn, C. S. C., Ph. D. D. Appleton & Co., New York.

Father Zahn, who is known as an explorer and religious writer, is one of the literary lights of the Catholic Church. He has written a book to show the marvelous influence woman has exerted on the genius of great men. He uses Faustian Heresy, better known as Saint Jerome, and Dante Alighieri as his subjects for two distinguished essays in demonstration of his thesis. The comfort and aid of Paula and other church women on Saint Jerome's career and of Beatrice on that of Dante as inspiration are fully treated. In a present a general view of the topic is given, bringing in such names as Montaigne, the mother of Saint Augustine; Joan of Arc; Laura, inspiration of Petrarch; Caroline Herschel and Mary Lamb. The essays are more than a collection of subjects, biographically and appreciatively, as the first treats understandingly of the period between the downfall of paganism and the dawn of the Middle Ages, the second discusses the daybreak of the Renaissance, and Father Zahn is also known for his excellent discussion of "Women in Science." The book from his pen is, however, not an apology for or defense of feminism of the "shrieking" type.

A Book for Business Men AWAKENING OF BUSINESS. By Edward N. Hurd. Doubleday, Page & Co., Garden City, Long Island.

The chairman of the Federal Trade Commission has written a very forceful and stimulating call to big and little business, since it combines both destructive and constructive criticism of commercial and industrial principles and tendencies. It is published with a complimentary foreword by President Wilson.

WHO IS HIS AMERICAN COUNTERPART?



The great popularity of H. G. Wells's last novel, "Mr. Britling Sees It Through," comes at a time when America is almost face to face with the problems Mr. Britling met. If war comes, what American writer will give the world as fine an account of our reactions?

L'ITALIA E LA CIVILTA' NE LE PAGINE DI VILLARI

Un Nuovo Breviario Degli Italiani—Un Paragone Tra la Latinita' ed il Germanesimo

Pasquale Villari—L'ITALIA E LA CIVILTA', a cura di Giovanni Bonacci, Editore Urieo Giovi, Milano. Il Giornale d'Italia, occupandosi recentemente di questa recentissima pubblicazione di scritti del grande vogliardo italiano che alla cultura nostra ha dato così impenso contributo, scriveva poco tempo fa: "Il volume 'L'Italia e la Civiltà' (lire 7.50), presentato da Bonacci dovrebbe essere il breviario di ogni italiano. Perché la figura di un apostolo che ha perseguito instancabilmente l'ideale di un popolo italiano sempre più degno della sua prodigiosa storia." Questo paragrafo basterebbe a presentare il nuovo volume di scritti del Villari, in cui opera non è soltanto nota a tutti gli italiani nella sua meravigliosa molteplice attività, ma anche nel mondo Anglo-Sassone dove parecchi suoi scritti ha visto la luce in inglese e dove il pubblico in generale ha potuto e può ammirare il suo valore di storico nel lungo esauriente capitolo di questo volume del Villari nel quale si balla caratteristiche dell'Enciclopedia Britannica.

L'editore Hoepli, il quale persegue nelle sue pubblicazioni più recenti un'opera che ha il fine di animare ed indicare a quanti sentono nelle loro vene scorrere il sangue italiano, ha ben meritato con la pubblicazione di questo volume del Villari nel quale il nostro mette in evidenza il contributo immenso che la nostra Italia ha dato alla civiltà, all'umanità che era una potente setta ubriaca di megalomania, trionfante e tentata di racchiudere nel cerchio di una civiltà imposta col ferro e col fuoco.

Autobiography of Dewey Since the death of Admiral Dewey there has been some interest in his "Autobiography," published a few years ago by the Scribners. At the end of the book Admiral Dewey says, characteristically, "A gratifying feature of the rank of admiral of the navy, which Congress has given me, was that I was to remain in active service for life. While I lived there would be work to do." The autobiography is now issued in a new and cheaper edition.

WAR POSSIBILITY GIVES VOLUME TO PRESENT

'BRITLING' NEW MEANING

Wells's Tremendously Successful Novel Has Bigger Message by Virtue of Break With Germany

The literary editor's confidence in popular taste got a big boost when a man in close touch with New York publishing circles told him that H. G. Wells's newest novel, "Mr. Britling Sees It Through," has already reached a circulation close to 150,000 copies. It is not his best novel. It hasn't the breadth of vision of "The New Machiavelli" or the rich sense of character that fits "Tonogony." But it is fine, sensitive, sincere. It is the personal expression of how the war has touched one of England's outstanding writers and thinkers. We have our own "Mr. Britling," but when he talks of the "invaluable hopefulness of his sanguine temperament" he describes H. G. Wells as no critic has yet done. The importance of the position which Wells occupies as a writer and his mind, though that counts mightily in the worth of the book. This bit of autobiography takes on qualities of personal conviction which touch as deeply as anything in Mr. Wells's other novels. No student of his work, both fictional and sociological, can miss the sense of the author's tragic disillusionment in the sentence: "He remembered, as one remembers the dead, dreams he had once dreamed of the great cities, the splendid freedoms of a coming age, of marvellous changes of human faculty, of a coming science that would be light and of art that could be power."

It is good that America is reading "Mr. Britling" so widely at the present time, when war may strike across the Atlantic. We feel, as Mr. Britling felt before August, 1914, that "nothing can change very fundamentally any more. It seems incredible that anything was ever done, will ever smother the system." And yet today "this war is pounding through Europe, smashing up homes, dispersing and mixing homes. It is killing young men by the million, altering the proportion of the sexes, a generation bringing women into business and office and industry, destroying the accumulated wealth that kept so many of them in refined domestic idleness, and with strange doubts and novel ideas."

We have stood aside thus far. We have watched Europe invade our past recognition. We have our own "Mr. Britling" and his impetus to more wealth, greater luxury. How will we handle these new problems of Europe's, which will now be ours? Where will we find writers who will put down concrete, a long, America's purposes "as straight as her gun fire, as honestly as the steering of her ships." Britling hoped to do it for England. Wells certainly has done so.

War at First Hand

A SOLDIER OF LIFE. By Hugh de Selincourt. The Macmillan Company, New York. There are some recent books which are going to "do their bit" in preventing future wars. One of these is "The Backwash of the War," by Ellen LaMott, the famous woman who cared for wounded while a nurse in a French war hospital. If everyone read Ellen LaMott's story, it would do more to prevent war than any other book. It is a story of a woman who served in a French war hospital. It is a story of a woman who served in a French war hospital. It is a story of a woman who served in a French war hospital.

Woman Once More

REGIMENT OF WOMEN. By Clemence Dane. The Macmillan Company, New York. Feminists should read this book. It is a book about women. It is a book about women.

AIMS OF THE ALLIES

"The War of Democracy," Soon to Be Issued, Describes Entente Attitude

One of the most significant books to be published on the war will come from the press of Doubleday, Page & Co. on February 10. "The War of Democracy" is its title, the Allies' statement to the American people. It is said that there have been brought together in this volume authoritative statements of the aims of the Allies collected especially for American readers. Viscount Bryce, who has endeared himself to many people in this country because of his long residence in the United States and his book, "The American Commonwealth," has summed up the whole matter in a statement which opens the volume and is distinguished for its calmness and philosophical analysis. He also contributes two chapters entitled "Neutral Nations and the War" and "The Attitude of Great Britain in the Present War." Other chapters have been prepared by the Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Grey; "What Britain is Fighting For," by the Rt. Hon. H. H. Asquith; "The Navy and the War, Fruits of the Battle of Jutland," by Rt. Hon. Arthur J. Balfour, M. P., and "The Soul of France," by Maurice Barres.

Among the books to be published by E. W. Hubsch this season are an account of the life and work of Jean Jaures, by Margaret Pease; a revised and enlarged edition of "The Small Farm System," by Dr. E. V. Drysdale; "Tales of the Revolution," containing Artzibaeh's best work in the form of long short stories; another volume (the seventh) of dramas by Hauptmann and the first book to be published on William Dean Howells's contribution to literary art, by Alexander Harvey, of Current Opinion.

During the current month the following books will be published by the Scribners: "The Celt and the World," a study of the great historic conflict between the Celt and the Anglo-Saxon, by Professor John G. Bourke; "The Story of the Author's Experience with the 'problems of conduct of self-realization and of one's relations to his fellows and to the universe,'" by the author of "The Wisdom Books" of Mr. Stephen Berrien Stanton, author of "The Essential Life," "Soul and Circumstance" etc.; two new volumes of "The Stories of H. C. Bunner," "Short Stories" and "More Short Stories"; "Early Narratives of the Northwest," which completes the series of "Original Narratives of Early American History," and a new volume of "Studies of Theology" series entitled "The Justification of God," by the Rev. Principal P. T. Forsyth.

Sidney L. Nyburg, whose new novel, "The Chosen People," will be published by the Lippincott Company in February, is the author of "The Conquest," which was included by Mr. Berton in his list of the ten best novels of 1915. Mr. Nyburg's new novel contains a study of modern character and social conditions.

OH, MARY, BE CAREFUL! By GEORGE WESTON. Just a Moment, Please! Mary Meacham had \$50,000 and 3 Tests for Men. Would you have been careful? Would your Sister, Cousin or Sweetheart have been careful? Mary was. You see, there was a fortune between her and a husband—but the rich aunt was fond of the girl and gave her three tests to judge those who tempted her. Could you pass those tests? Could you Brother, Friend or Husband? Find out in this delightful, witty, sweet story. Women and Men will recommend this book to each other with a chuckle. Seven illustrations. \$1.00 Net. AT ALL BOOKSTORES LIPPINCOTT

The DRUID PATH By MARAH ELLIS RYAN. THE DRUID PATH is a heart history of Ireland from the shadowy days of druidcraft, told in a series of six magical tales of warm heart-beats, legend worship, strong loves and fierce hates. In its wealth of tragedy and romance and strange adventure is interwoven the legend, the myth, the mystery and the song of an ancient people. All lovers of the Shamrock will find unusual delight in this absorbing book. The Nation of February 8th, says: "A powerful work of the imagination, a work of genius such as might have pleased Carlyle himself." New York Times—Francis lives, not by elaborate descriptions, but by vivid presentations. Philadelphia Press—To open the pages of this book is to walk into a picturesque civilization, which to all but a few scholars is practically unknown. Boston Transcript—We cannot deny that the publishers have good reason for their enthusiasm. Baltimore Sun—The big book of the week, which takes place alongside Lorna Doone, The White Company, and Kim. By EDWARD LUCAS WHITE. 4th Ed. in Press \$1.90 net. E. P. DUTTON & COMPANY NEW YORK CITY

EVENING LEDGER PHOTOPLAY CALENDAR

Table with columns for days of the week (MONDAY to SATURDAY) and rows for various theaters (ALHAMBRA, APOLLO, ARCADIA, BELMONT, BLUEBIRD, CEDAR, EUREKA, FAIRMOUNT, 56TH ST., FRANKFORD, GREAT NORTH, IMPERIAL, JEFFERSON, LEADER, LIBERTY, LOCUST, MARKET ST., PALACE, PARK, PRINCESS, REGENT, RIALTO, RIDGE AVE., RUBY, SAVOY, STANLEY, STRAND). Each cell contains the name of the play and the actor.